

# Reading Comprehension: Fall



## The National Film Board

**Instructions:** Read the information below and then try to answer the questions at the bottom.

An Act of Parliament by the Canadian Government created the National Film Board (NFB) in 1939. The NFB's mandate is to make films about Canada for Canadians and people in other countries. The NFB makes films about social issues. They make documentary films and animation films. The NFB has made over 5,000 films. Many schools and educational TV programs show NFB films in their classrooms. Several of their films are of interest to Newcomers to Canada. These films include 'An Idea of Canada' and 'Growing up Canadian'.

In Toronto, the NFB has a viewing centre called 'The NFB Mediatheque'. Everyone is welcome to come here and view NFB films **for \$2.00 per day**. It's located at 150 John Street in downtown Toronto. You can call the NFB Mediatheque at **(416) 973-5344** for more information.

### Questions:

1. When was the NFB created?
2. What is the mandate of the NFB?
3. Name two films that newcomers to Canada might enjoy.
4. Where is the Mediatheque?
5. How much does it cost to view a film at the Mediatheque?

## Answer Key

- 1) The Canadian Government created the NFB in 1939.
- 2) The mandate is to make films about Canada for Canadians and people in other countries.
- 3) 'An Idea of Canada' and 'Growing up Canadian' are two films suitable for newcomers to Canada.
- 4) The Mediatheque is in downtown Toronto, at 150 John Street.
- 5) \$2.00 per day